Health and Human Needs Committee Meeting Wednesday, May 6, 2009 3:05 P.M. Third Floor, City Hall

Present: Chair: CM Woolridge

Vice Chair: CM Welch

Members: CM Benson, CM Shanklin,

Absent: CM Hawkins (excused)

Chairman Woolridge began the meeting by announcing the members of the committee that were present. A guorum was established.

## **Special Items For Discussion**

HOWARD BRACCO, PH.D, PRESIDENT & CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF SEVEN COUNTIES - GOOD MENTAL HEALTH PRACTICES AND MENTAL HEALTH POLICY

A PowerPoint presentation was presented and handouts were given. The following was discussed:

- May is Mental Health Month
- About Seven Counties Services
  - Mission
  - Vision
  - Organization
    - Accreditation
  - Affiliated Organizations
  - Customers
    - Serves all ages
  - Services
  - Demand is increasing
- Mental Health Center Act and President Kennedy
  - o People served in their community rather than at a far away hospital
- Funding Sources
  - Metro Government's investment
- Benefits of Community-Based Approach
- Treatment works
  - May not cure someone but can help people recover from mental illness
- How to access their services

## **Pending Legislation**

R-66-04-09 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT A DONATION OF WEATHERIZATION KITS FROM LOUISVILLE GAS AND ELECTRIC (LG&E) VALUED AT APPROXIMATELY \$24,000.00 TO BE USED BY COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP (CAP) FOR DISTRIBUTION TO CLIENTS OF THE LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LIHEAP).

Status: In-Committee

**Committee:** Health & Human Needs **Primary Sponsor:** Mary Woolridge

Motion to approve made by Stuart Benson and seconded by Barbara Shanklin.

**Discussion**: Michelle Garrett, Housing and Family Services, was present to speak to the item. A handout was given and the following was discussed:

- Brief overview of the LIHEAP program
  - Subsidy Component
  - Crisis Component
- Kits included more this year
- Savings of \$213 per household
- Do not need a past due bill to receive a kit

By voice vote, this item was sent to the Consent Calendar.

VOTING RESULTS: For: 4; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Absent: 1

For: Vicki Aubrey Welch, Barbara Shanklin, Stuart Benson, Mary C. Woolridge

Against: (None)
Abstain: (None)

Absent: Doug Hawkins

Without objection, the meeting adjourned at 3:51 p.m.

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